Marine Life Protection Act Initiative



Next Steps in the MLPA Process

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December 2005

- CCRSG finalizes packages and objectives for individual MPAs
 - December 6-7 CCRSG meeting
 - December 15, 8:00 AM deadline
 - · Final candidate MPA internal/external packages
 - · Final individual MPA objectives
 - · Send via email to MLPAComments@resources.ca.gov
 - This concludes the work of the CCRSG as a formal body
- Completed packages posted to MLPA website for comment
- · Staff and SAT analyze MPA packages



January - February 2006

- SAT meets January 20 to review final packages
- Staff incorporates SAT evaluations into its analyses and posts information to website
- BRTF meets Jan. 31-Feb. 1 to consider packages and evaluations, and hear public comment
- BRTF guidance for revisions posted to MLPA website; public comment invited
- As directed by BRTF, staff may work with stakeholders and SAT to refine packages



March 2006

- SAT meets March 2 for further evaluations
- Staff incorporates SAT evaluations, public comment and other information into options for BRTF action
- BRTF meets March 14-15 to make its recommendation to DFG
- BRTF decision posted to MLPA website



April 2006 and thereafter

- DFG considers recommendation from BRTF, makes a decision on a preferred alternative, and forwards a recommendation to the Fish and Game Commission in May 2006
- · CEQA analysis begins
- Fish and Game Commission receives the DFG recommendation and begins public hearings
- Possible commission action late in 2006